Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment and announce a public hearing and an information briefing on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality to limit air pollution from a facility in Southampton County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: July 20, 2007 to September 6, 2007

PUBLIC HEARING: Workforce Development Center, Technology Theater - Room 202, Paul D. Camp Community College, 100 North College Drive in Franklin, VA 23851 on August 22, 2007 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

INFORMATION BRIEFING: Same date and location from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

PERMIT NAME: Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the Air Pollution Control Board.

APPLICANT NAME AND REGISTRATION NUMBER: Hercules Incorporated; Registration Number: 60188. FACILITY NAME AND ADDRESS: Hercules Incorporated; 27123 Shady Brook Trail, Courtland, Virginia 23837.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Hercules Incorporated has applied for a permit to install two boilers, 90 million BTU/hour each, to provide process steam. The facility is classified as a major source of air pollution. The amount of the additional pollutants that is allowed beyond the baseline pollution levels is below the allowable PSD increment. The maximum annual emissions of air pollutants from the boilers are expected to be: 182.6 tons per year of nitrogen oxides; 39.4 tons per year of sulfur dioxide. The expected effect on local air quality will be insignificant.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. DEQ also accepts written and oral comments at public hearings. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named below. The draft permit is also available on the DEQ web site at www.deq.virginia.gov.

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